



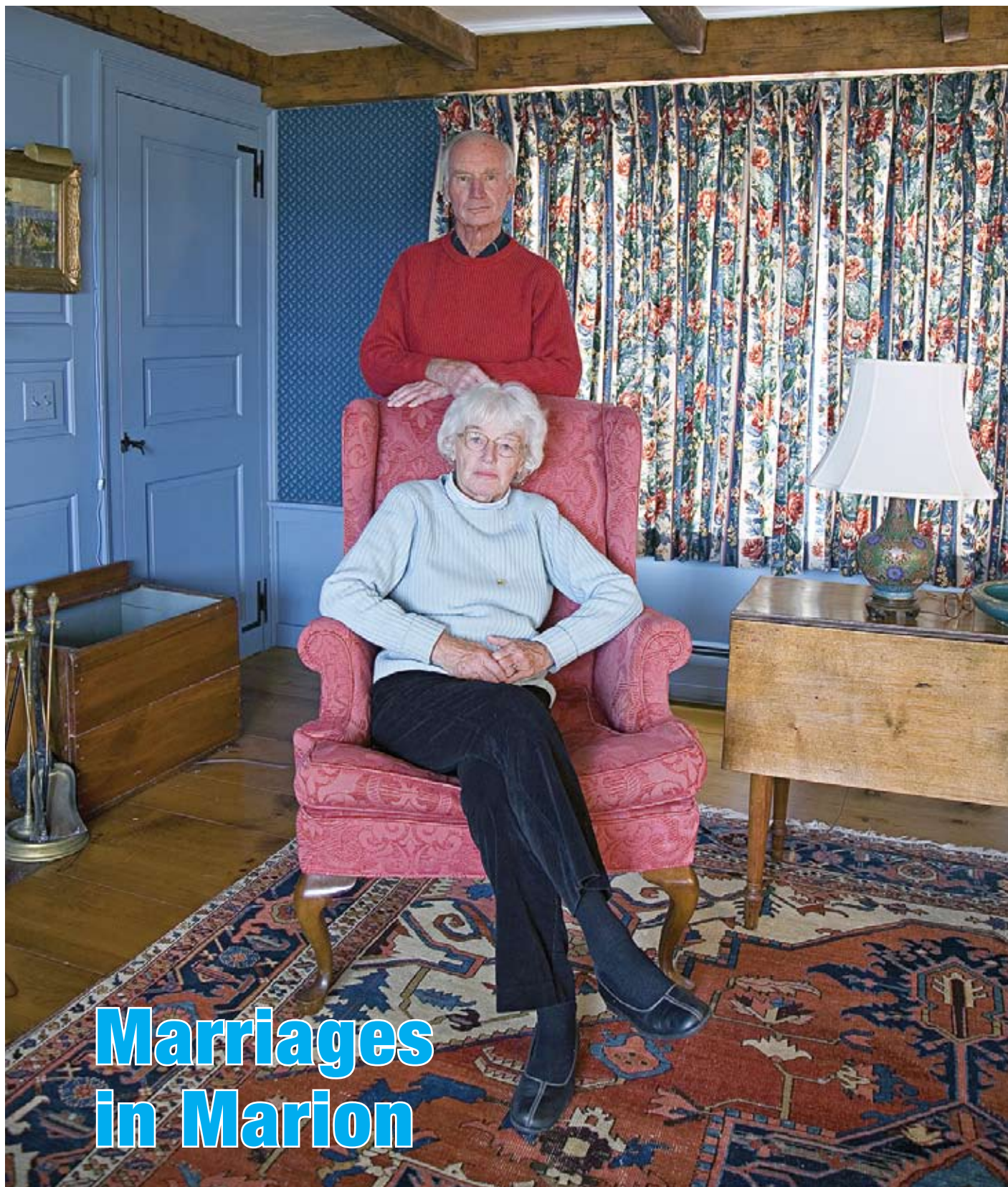
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Picture Pairings

Photo Exhibit Focuses on Marion Marriages

By Kenneth J. Souza

Looking over the 66 photographs in Judith Rosbe's unique photographic essay, "Long-Term Marriages in Marion," one is immediately struck by the fact that none of the subjects are smiling. In fact, many appear



Above: Rochester Selectman Dan McGaffey (far left) and Council on Aging (COA) Director Sharon Lally (second from left) pour non-alcoholic champagne over the hood of the newly-dedicated COA minibuss which the town acquired through a rebate they received from MBTA funds while other members of the COA Board of Directors look on. The new 14-passenger vehicle can also accommodate two wheelchairs and will be used to transport seniors to various events. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).

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at first blush to be somewhat bored and unhappy.

But that's not at all what Ms. Rosbe intended. Taking her cue from nineteenth-century family portraits which required subjects to remain still for an extended period of time to allow for the required exposure time, the photographs are meant to not only capture the contemporary couples in their natural habitat, but also to answer



Above: Friends and family gathered on Sunday, April 1 at the American Legion Hall in Mattapoisett to celebrate a combined 170 years of birthdays. About 80 people filled the hall to honor one of the town's most beloved couples, Don and Hope Finley. Don will turn 90 in May and Hope just turned 80 last month. (Photo by Robert Chiarito).

On the cover: Marion couple "Nancy and John" were married on October 27, 1962. Their home portrait is just one of 66 included in Judith Rosbe's fascinating new photographic essay, "Long-Term Marriages in Marion," which will open on Friday, April 13 with a reception with the artist from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Marion Art Center. The exhibit will remain on display through May 16. (Photo courtesy of Judith Rosbe).

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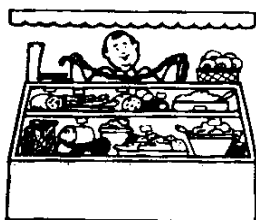
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the question: "What does it take to make a long-term marriage succeed?"

"To me, the answer is control," Ms. Rosbe said.

"You have to control how you relate to the outside world and you have to control how you relate to each other. But I'm hoping viewers will bring their own interpretations to the exhibit."

The Rosbe exhibition will open at the Marion Art Center on Friday, April 13 with a reception from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. "Long-term Marriages in Marion" features 66 couples, all friends of the artist, who have been married anywhere from 20 to 65 years.

What began as a UMass Dartmouth class project where Ms. Rosbe did some 20 self-portraits of her and her husband in various outfits and poses has blossomed into a year-long study of married couples in Marion.

To get these unique shots, Ms. Rosbe instructed her subjects not to smile, to relax and be natural in the setting of their living rooms. The interior spaces recall the nineteenth century parlors that are slightly formal. The living room is a place where the inhabitants receive guests. The viewer is invited into these spaces where color, composition and specific details reveal something of the couple's personality and lifestyle. One will notice many marine paintings on the walls reflecting where these people live and their love of all things nautical. Carefully framed family photos speak of children and grandchildren.

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"(The living room) is your stage," Ms. Rosbe added. "There's a tradition of marine art, which is kind of a metaphor — you sail over both rough and serene waters. It also reflects that (Marion) is a marine community."

Each photograph in Ms. Rosbe's essay is like a still life with a man, a woman, furniture, walls, windows, art objects, and other details that are evocative and interesting. The formal poses and bland expressions reflect the historic fact that early cameras had such long exposure time, it was impossible to smile for such portraits. Hence, there is a nostalgic and timeless quality to the exhibition. Viewers are invited to interpret for themselves how these marriages have not only survived, but also thrived and flourished over the years.

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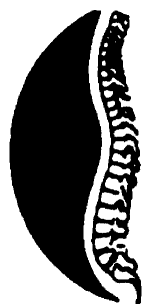
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““If you go to any portrait gallery in London, they never smile,” Ms. Rosbe said. “The Queen doesn’t smile! I’m hoping to show a side of people that others don’t see. I admire long-term marriages because they’ve gone through a lot of stages ... and with the divorce rate at 50 percent, I admire long-term marriages even more.”

To complement the natural settings, Ms. Rosbe also opted to shoot all the couples’ portraits in whatever available, natural light was present in the home, which adds another layer of authenticity to the fascinating photographs.

“It was lots of fun,” Ms. Rosbe said of the experience. “I’m going to be retiring from my law practice in May and I want to continue with photography. I also have a book, (*A History of the Marion Art Center*), coming out in June. They’re having their 50th anniversary this summer.”

Ms. Rosbe has created an elegant catalogue to go along with the exhibition with an essay by Pamela J. Warner, PhD, who was one of her teachers at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. The artist is also donating all proceeds on sales to the Marion Art Center.

“Long Term Marriages in Marion” will be on display in both galleries of the Marion Art Center from April 13 through May 16. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and Saturdays, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Marion Art Center is located at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets and admission is free.

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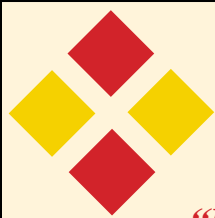


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SEMASS Shutdown

Fire Closes SEMASS Plant, Diverts Local Trash

By Kenneth J. Souza

Members of the Rochester Fire Department with assistance from an estimated 150 firefighters from surrounding communities battled a smoldering blaze within the SEMASS/Covanta plant which began on Saturday, March 31 and carried over into Sunday, April 1. Despite the severity of the fire, which forced the temporary shutdown of the Rochester refuse facility, plans are already in motion to both repair and reopen the plant and to divert the trash collected from area towns to another facility.

According to a statement issued by SEMASS/Covanta, the fire started within one of the SEMASS garbage shredders just before 7:00 pm on Saturday night, March 31. SEMASS internal emergency responders were at the scene immediately and were joined shortly thereafter by outside first responders. Smoke from the fire spread through the combustion air ducts within the facility, which contributed to the difficulty of containing the incident.

Since the time of the incident, the primary focus was to contain the fire and work with area fire departments, local EPA and DEP officials and the Town of Rochester to ensure the safety of the surrounding community. "We are grateful for the quick response by both our personnel, the fire department and local, state and federal



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officials," the statement read. "In addition, we are also happy to report that there have been no injuries associated with this incident."

Although initial concerns were raised over the 60 odd communities in Southeastern Massachusetts that send their weekly trash collections to the SEMASS plant — including all three tri-towns — Rochester Town Administrator Richard LaCamera addressed these fears during an emergency meeting with the town's Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee (FinCom) on Monday night, April 2.

"We don't know yet where all the existing trash will go," Mr. LaCamera said. "It's (SEMASS') responsibility to do with it what they want to. There are rumors out



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there ... (and) a couple of options are being considered. One is to bring it to the Carver landfill, it could (also) be brought to the Bourne landfill, and (SEMASS) also has other burn facilities in Haverhill, MA and one in Connecticut."

While it will take some time to repair and rebuild the damaged portion of the facility, Mr. LaCamera also noted that SEMASS officials have moved swiftly to begin the process, which suggests they are just as eager to reopen as the communities they serve.

"They're going to have to completely replace the roof of that building, but that will not take months to do," Mr. LaCamera said. "But they don't want to make a commitment as to how quickly it will be done. They already have contractors onsite and, of course, they want the facility reopened as quickly as we do. I think by the end of next week we'll have a good feel as to how long it will take ... but I don't anticipate that it's going to be an extended period of time, which is good news because initially I think everyone thought two or three of those buildings would have to come down."

Mr. LaCamera also wanted to assure residents living near SEMASS that both the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have been onsite to monitor the situation.

"Just so people know, the EPA and the DEP monitored the smoke during the fire and there was absolutely

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no toxic situation with any of that smoke," he said. "I know some of the newspapers have offered a mixed bag as to what was being reported. We received a report from the EPA and there is no problem with any toxic fumes ... from the fire."

School Update

ORR High School Principal Appointed

Ms. Sheila Haskins of North Attleboro and at present the principal of Southbridge High School, has been appointed as the new principal at Old Rochester Regional High School beginning July 1, 2007. Ms. Haskins is completing her second year as the principal at Southbridge High School. Prior to her current assignment, Ms.



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A graduate of the College of Artesia, Ms. Haskins holds two graduate degrees from Bridgewater State College (M.Ed. – Librarianship and a CAGS in Educational Leadership).

The search for a new principal at ORR began last fall when the present principal, Bruce Clarke, announced his intention to retire at the end of the 2006-2007 academic year.

"Sail On"

America's Cup Winner Speaks in Marion

By Robert Chiarito

If you had the opportunity to sit in a room and listen to Ted Williams speak about hitting a baseball or ask Larry Bird questions about improving your basketball game, would you accept the offer? That is what the experience was like for the 200 or so yachting enthusiasts who packed the Marion Music Hall to listen to America's Cup winner Gary Jobson speak on Friday night, March 30. This is a man who may be sailing's greatest fan and promoter and who in his fifty plus years of experience in competitive racing has quite literally done everything possible in his sport.



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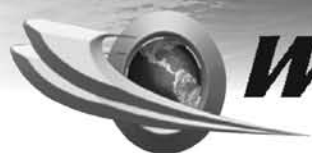
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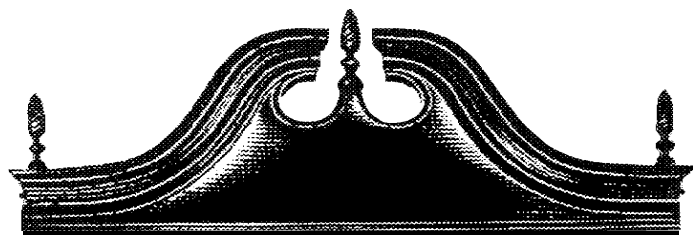
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Mr. Jobson spent more than two hours educating the faithful on the finer points of racing by sharing his anecdotes and racing strategies, as well as premiering several segments from his documentary on the history of the America's Cup Race that is set to air on ESPN Classic on Friday, April 13 at 7:00 pm. For his film, titled *America's Cup 1851-2007*, the racing legend and Emmy Award-winning ESPN commentator enlisted none other than the great Walter Cronkite to narrate his ode to sailing's greatest prize.

The Mount Gay Rum Speakers series began in 2005 as a means of both promoting the sport of sailing and to educate younger sailors. Through the series first two years over 4,000 people have attended 30 speaking engagements with most of the events attracting sell out audiences. Marion is proving to be one of the best attended stops on the series' circuit as last season's event, which featured All-American Sailor and champion racer Dave Perry, was also a sell out.

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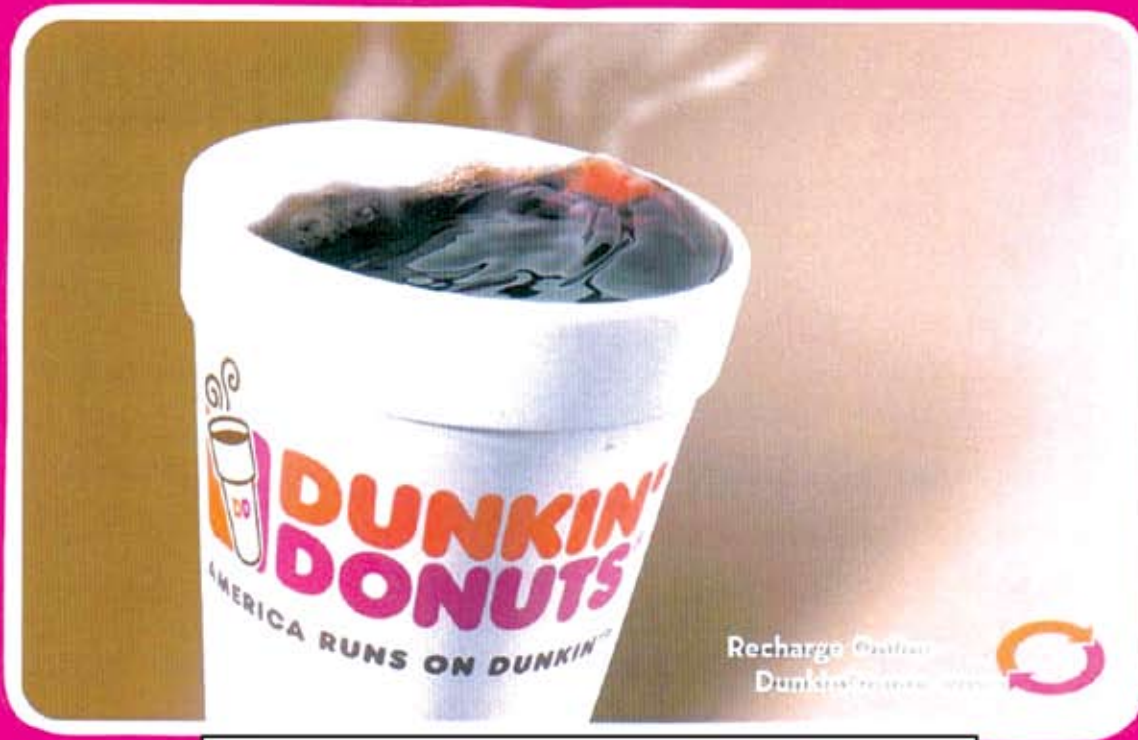
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At the end of the lecture Mr. Jobson took questions from the audience and closed the talk by showing a reel of sailing mishaps and bloopers. As he stated throughout the evening, "Every one, even the most experienced sailor can have a bad day on the water. The key is to learn how to minimize your mistakes." Mr. Jobson then made himself available to sign copies of his book, *Championship Sailing*, as well as pose for pictures with his fans. For sailors of legal drinking age, Mount Gay Rum also hosted a cocktail party in the Music Hall's adjoining room.

For those who would like to find out more about the Beverly Yacht Club and its calendar of events, you are encouraged to view the club's web site at www.beverlyyachtclub.org. For more information on Mr. Jobson and his treasure trove of information on the art of sailing, you can log onto www.jobsonsailing.com/gary.

New Wheels

Rochester COA Dedicates New Van

By Kenneth J. Souza

Members of the Rochester Council on Aging (COA) cut the ribbon and officially dedicated their newly-purchased 14-passenger minibus on Friday, March 30 at the Senior Center on Dexter Lane. COA Director Sharon Lally and Rochester Selectman Dan McGaffey led the gathering of officials and COA board members in pouring faux champagne over the hood of the vehicle, thereby resisting the traditional temptation of smashing the bottle and putting a dent in the new minibus.

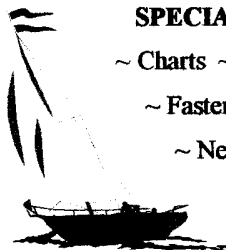
According to Ms. Lally, the vehicle was purchased because of a new Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) program the COA applied for, which provided the town with a Cherry Sheet credit of some \$19,400 for Fiscal Year 2006 expenses of the \$31,900

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assessment which had been charged to the town by the MBTA for transportation. Since the MBTA does not provide any public transportation service within Rochester, the town can recoup these monies.

"We'll be paying for this in five annual installments, the first of which has already been made," Ms. Lally said. "Through the transportation credit we'll be able to apply for every year, we'll be able to get that installment covered, as well as possibly some other transportation costs that we may incur. It's not really a 'freebie,' but it is. The town put up the money initially, because it has to ... and this is a way of getting some of that money back."

Ms. Lally said the COA plans to continue participation in this program for several years, which provides

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them with a five-year payment of \$12,250 annually. The minibus was also purchased off of the state's bidder's list.

"We're really pleased to have this vehicle ... this will enable us to take 14 people and two wheelchairs at a time, which we weren't able to do before," Ms. Lally said.

"I'm just as excited as everyone else," added Selectman Dan McGaffey when asked to say a few words.

"On behalf of the board I want to say thank you to (Ms. Lally) for getting the numbers in order to process everything to get this van here," added COA Board Member Patricia Ryan. "I call her 'Saint Sharon,' she's just remarkable. If you don't have somebody with foresight and the ability to tackle projects the way Sharon does ... we just wouldn't have what we have. I consider us very fortunate to have her."

170 Years

Mattapoisett Couple Celebrates Birthdays By Robert Chiarito

Friends and family gathered on Sunday, April 1 at the American Legion Hall in Mattapoisett to celebrate 170 years of birthdays. About 80 people filled the hall to honor one of the town's most beloved couples, Don and Hopey.

As the family gathered inside the Legion Hall a small girl, one of the family's many grandchildren, waited at the door, wanting to be the first to greet Mr. and Ms. Finley.

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Her mother replied, "I don't know but I think that it is perfect for them."

And with that, as if on cue, the couple's car pulled up to the front of the building. Ms. Finley, who turned 80 in March, looked as if she had just stepped off a rainbow, dressed in a beautiful flowing outfit that was as bright and colorful as her infectious smile. She moved around the room welcoming and thanking each person for attending with a hug and a kiss. Mr. Finley, who will turn 90 in May, cut a dashing figure as he entered the room wearing a red sport coat and with a gold neckerchief. Throughout the day Mr. and Ms. Finley would pause for a moment



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My dog gets lots of ticks. Will he get Lyme disease?

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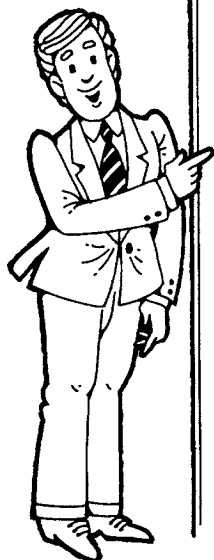
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to look at one another and smile like two teenagers who were out on their first date.

Family members traveled from near and far to attend Sunday's party. Relatives arrived from as close as Mattapoisett and from such far reaches as Nantucket, Binghamton, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. One relative, who traveled from Nantucket, offered his thoughts saying, "I think I speak for everyone here when I say that none of us would have missed this for the world."

Ms. Finley told *The Wanderer* that she and her husband, who was the Pastor at Mattapoisett's Congregational Church for many years, were married later in life and when their families were joined together, "We made for one very big, close, happy family." Several generations of this large family were on hand at the party as guests ranged in age from young toddlers to folks who have been friends with the couple for most of their lives.

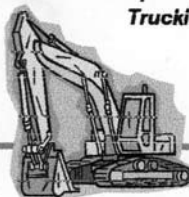
Many of the people of Mattapoisett consider themselves members of the extended Finley family as either members of Mr. Finley's congregation or by knowing Ms. Finley from her 45 years of work at the Cathay Temple Chinese Restaurant on Route 6 in Mattapoisett.

When asked how she thought Mattapoisett had changed over the years Ms. Finley said, "It really hasn't changed all that much, believe it or not. That is one of the reasons that we have been happy to have lived here all of these years."

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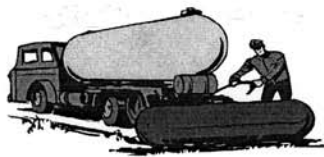
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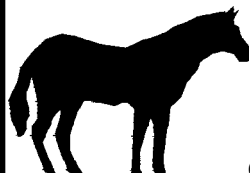
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Marion Water/Sewer Hearing

April 3, 2007

By Kenneth J. Souza

An estimated 120 residents filed into the Sippican School auditorium in Marion for the continuation of a Public Hearing on the proposed increase in the towns' Water/Sewer Rates on Tuesday, April 3 at 7:00 pm.

After apologizing for getting things off to a "rocky start" at the Board of Selectmen's meeting held two weeks prior, Selectmen Chairman Andrew Jeffrey noted they probably should have done a better job in getting the word out to residents about the inevitable water/sewer rate hike.

"A lot of people have talked to me and inferred that nobody told them this would ever happen," Selectman Jeffrey said. "But I know the Finance Committee (FinCom) did mention a potential increase in (the rates) in the handout at last year's Annual Town Meeting."

Selectman Jeffrey also noted that with all the on-going water/sewer projects that the town has undertaken — all of which were approved by Town Meeting voters — and the cutback in water/sewer usage in anticipation of the coming rate increase, they needed to recoup these costs.

"Between the projects and the conservation that many in this room have done, we need to increase the rates," Mr. Jeffrey said.

"In the fall we're going to have another meeting that's going to focus on the plans and what we've already done," he added.

"Tonight, what we're hoping to do is share with you all the reasons why we feel these increases are needed," said Town Administrator Paul Dawson. "There are two basic issues at the root of our need to raise rates: one, the tremendous amount of debt incurred (for recent)



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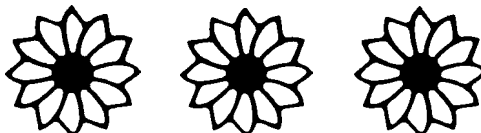
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water/sewer projects and, two, a 9.5 percent decrease in the town's use of water. This combined debt increase and water use decrease will account for a projected \$1.1 million shortfall (in this year's Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund)."

According to Mr. Dawson, this increased debt, coupled with a decrease in water usage, only escalates when you factor in the age of the town's water/sewer infrastructure (100 years or better), the fact that the water rates haven't been raised since 1992, and the previously-approved projects totaling some \$25.7 million. Among them: the cost of the new Sewer Plant (\$13.9 million approved 2000-2002); various Sewer System upgrades (\$2 million approved in 2002); Marion's share in the Matta-

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poisett River Valley Water District's Treatment Plant (\$2.5 million approved in 2004); upgrades to the water storage and transmission systems (\$3.5 million approved 2002-2004); and upgrades to the water distribution system (\$3.8 million approved in 2006).

As previously cited, based on a typical Marion household with 2.5 people who consume some 6,250 cubic feet of water per year, their current water bill would increase from a combined total of \$744.38 to \$1,245.26 per year.

"Over the past several weeks, many of you have had the opportunity to talk to me about this issue," Mr. Dawson said. "Each of you, individually and collectively, have provided me a great amount of information and have given me a better historical perspective on this matter."

When the floor was opened for public input, residents remained decidedly heated about the proposed rate hike and pulled no punches in making their feelings known.

"I think we all got a wake-up call over the last few years," said Joseph Zora Jr. "We've been very generous and suddenly we get a major increase. My biggest fear is for my neighbors, my family, and my friends. There are people who have been on fixed incomes for years ... we're not the middle class anymore, we're the working poor. If you look at the debt here, it's almost \$26 million. There are 2,700 customers for water. They say there hasn't been

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an increase since 1992, but we've been paying for that (all along). If we had gone up 5.5 percent every year, then maybe some of that other stuff wouldn't have passed. This school was too big when we built it ... infrastructure is no good if you can't live here. I don't know who's pulling the strings here and what agendas are in place, but we know now. We've got to slow down and think about the people."

"I'm 31 years old, I'm on a fixed income, but I agree with Mr. Zora," said resident Sarah Briggs. "I don't understand why we have to have a 70 percent increase in water when this started back in 2002. You're just pushing people like myself and my daughter out of town. I don't think it's fair, that's just my opinion."

"I don't think we can argue what the costs are ... and I don't think you can argue over who didn't catch it in time," said Chris Collings. "I think it's fine to say we have these costs and this is what it's going to take to pump the water and run these lines ... but another way to think of it is to share that cost among all (residents). I don't like what's being proposed here and I don't think it's a good answer. Whether (these projects were) voted on or not doesn't really matter. I think you need to come back and offer some (different) options. You also suggest that we're seeing a rate hike because of a decrease in water use ... so if we all leave here tonight and turn on our tap we'd probably all get a break."

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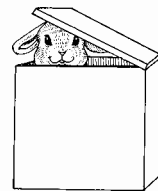
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"I think there's got to be other options and we're not hearing them," said Vin Malkoski.

If the town was concerned about a decrease in water usage, resident Carrie Jacobsen wanted to know why they still had water restrictions in place.

"The reason we have water restrictions is to conserve our water supply," said Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Rob Zora. "The restrictions are mainly in place for fire protection safety reasons right now, which is why we can't lift them. We cannot lift the water restrictions right now because during the summer ... everyone is watering and we need to have additional capacity for fire protection, especially in the village. Believe me, I'd love for you to use all the water you could ... but we'd be putting the village in jeopardy for fire protection."

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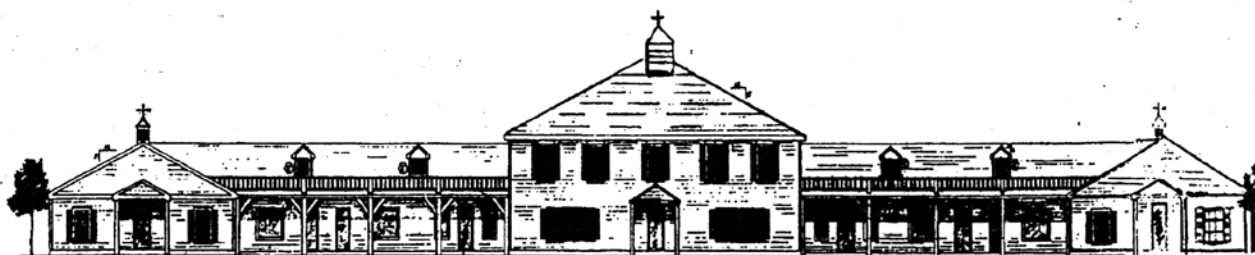
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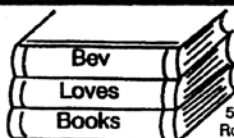
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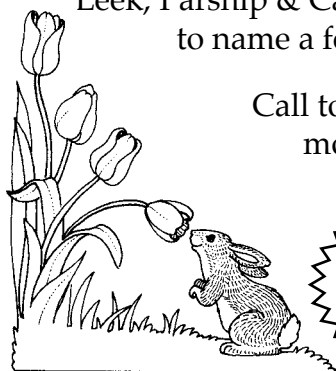


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ects, Joseph Zora Sr. felt many of these should have been diverted. "Some of the projects that are going up can be held for a year or two," he said.

Resident Charles Bradley also criticized locating the new water tank from its original location along Route 6 to further down on Benson Brook Road. "I think it cost us about \$1 million to move the new water tower from Route 6 down to Benson Brook Road ... and nobody said anything about it," he said. "It seems the more we conserve, the more it's going to cost us."

"I remember well about the placement of the water tower and the Water Committee recommended it be placed on Route 6, but that was overridden by Town Meeting," said Don Torres. "At the time, we indicated it was going to cost a lot more money, but that's what people wanted and that's what people got."

"From listening to everything I've heard here tonight, if these rates go through your water department is going to go bankrupt," said Jerry Shea. "Because people are going to put wells in their yard, (and) they're going to conserve more water. If these rates go through, in my opinion, we'll be back here in no time at all for another rate increase."

Resident Jay Ryder also questioned why Marion didn't allow residents to install a second meter to gauge water being used for outside use (irrigation, etc.) and simply charged a best-guess estimate based on the "water in, water out" principle. "The Town of Mattapoisett has had

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a successful program in place where they use a second meter for irrigation purposes," he said. "Legally, I'm not sure (Marion) can charge for sewer service that isn't being used."

"I'd like to comment on the suggestion that these rates have just suddenly come up," said Selectman Roger Blanchette. "As you know we just recently hired a new Town Administrator. During the previous year our Town House was pretty much a boondoggle ... and things that should have been done, weren't. I also can say that hearing about Mattapoisett allowing the dual meters, (the Water/Sewer Commissioners) will look at it and I think it's something we can do."

"I also think we need to step back and decide

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what level of burden we're putting on the taxpayer," said Tom Magauran. "It seems to me everything we're doing is resulting in what some people have referred to as the 'Nantucketization' of Marion. I love Marion ... I don't want to live in Nantucket."

After nearly three hours of discussion and debate, with the crowd dwindling to 30 or so die-hards, Town Moderator David B. Titus asked Selectmen Chairman Jeffrey to make a closing statement.

"We will listen and we will certainly try to utilize (this information) in a manner that will look at the cost, look at the revenues, and make our decision," Selectman Jeffrey said, noting the board plans to meet on Thursday, April 5 at 7:00 pm to vote on the proposed water/sewer rate increase. "We really did try to let you know what was going on (but) we'll have to do better. There really was a plan in place and now we have to pay for it. I don't like this, I have to pay it just as much as you do. We'll do our darndest to keep the costs down ... but we had to do this."

With that, the hearing was closed at 9:50 pm.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

April 2, 2007

By Kenneth J. Souza

An emergency meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order with members of the Finance Committee (FinCom) on Monday, April 2 at 7:30 pm by Chairman Bradford Morse. Also present were Se-

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lectman Richard Nunes, Selectman Dan A. McGaffey, and Town Administrator Richard LaCamera.

The purpose of this meeting was to get an update on the situation with financial payments coming from SEMASS/Covanta given the weekend fire at the Rochester facility which has forced a temporary shutdown of plant operations.

"I think the reason we're here, mainly, is to give (the FinCom) a report on (the first at SEMASS) this past weekend," Chairman Morse said.

"What I know right now is SEMASS is reviewing where they're at and what it will take to fix the existing facility, which is the good news," Mr. LaCamera said.

"The three boilers are okay, which is fine, because that



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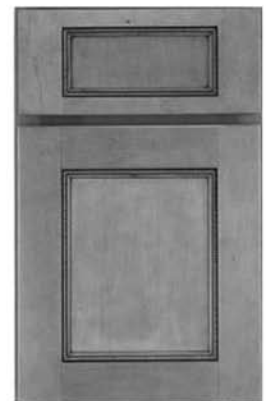


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would probably require the most lead time to fix. They did lose their controlling facility where they have all their computers. They are pretty confident this can be replaced, because it will just require software (updates) and they are going to set up laptops in a trailer (for now) while that building is repaired."

Mr. LaCamera said he was told most of the damage at SEMASS was incurred at the tipping facility where refuse is initially received.

"The problem is, they don't know if there's been steel (or) structural damage to the building or not," he said. "They're going to have to completely replace the roof of that building, but that will not take months to do. But they don't want to make a commitment as to how quickly it will be done (either). I'm going back there Thursday at 1:00 pm to get an update as to where they are and what the plan is going to be."

But Mr. LaCamera said it was encouraging to note they were working very quickly to return the facility to normal operations as soon as possible.

"They already have contractors onsite and, of course, they want the facility reopened as quickly as we do," he said. "So, that's kind of where we are with the facility itself. The conveyors are okay ... the belts themselves need to be replaced. The shredders are okay as well, but all the electrical work within the buildings needs to be replaced. I think by the end of next week we'll have a good feel as to how long it will take ... but I don't anticipate that

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it's going to be an extended period of time, which is good news because initially I think everyone thought two or three of those buildings would have to come down."

Mr. LaCamera said he's meeting with the town's insurance carrier later this week to determine if and when they can file a claim against the temporary shutdown of the SEMASS facility.

"Basically it's a 15-day waiting period," Mr. LaCamera said. "Our insurance policy is \$2.4 million for a 12-month period, but there's a \$100,000 deductible. Just so you know, we've been averaging \$277,000 a month from SEMASS in fees, which is almost \$3.2 million (a year). Through the end of March, we have already met our fiscal receipt (from SEMASS) for 2007."

Mr. LaCamera said the town's insurance coverage would allow them to recoup the average monthly payment from SEMASS during the facility's downtime once the policy kicks in. The insurance company only needs to know how long SEMASS anticipates the shutdown will last.

As for where the trash collected from local communities will be diverted in the meantime, Mr. LaCamera said it remains SEMASS' responsibility to find an alternate solution.

"We don't know yet where all the existing trash will go to," he said. "It's their responsibility to do with it what they want to. There are rumors out there about where all the trash will go. There are a couple of options

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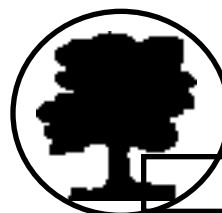
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being considered. One is to bring it to the Carver landfill, it could (also) be brought to the Bourne landfill, and (SEMASS) also has other burn facilities in Haverhill, MA and one in Connecticut. Depending on what happens will determine what our tipping fee is during this (interim) period. It depends on where they're taking it."

Mr. LaCamera noted as long as the facility isn't shutdown for an extended period of time, the town should be okay. If it does remain closed for a longer interim, it will adversely affect the town's financial situation.

Lastly, he wanted to assure residents living near SEMASS that both the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have been onsite to monitor the situation.

"Just so people know, the EPA and the DEP monitored the smoke during the fire and there was absolutely no toxic situation with any of that smoke," he said. "I know some of the newspapers have offered a mixed bag as to what was being reported. We received a report from the EPA and there is no problem with any toxic fumes ... from the fire."

The cause of the fire remains under investigation, although Mr. LaCamera said they did suspect a propane tank was the source of the explosion.

"A representative from SEMASS said at the press conference on Sunday that (the fire) might have been caused by a propane tank, but they don't know for sure,"

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By Robert Chiarito

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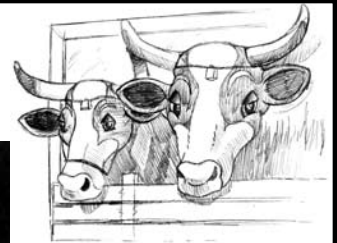
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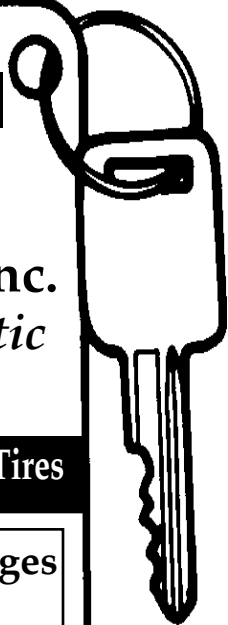
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On the national scene, the **Boston Red Sox** took one on the chin as they opened the season with a 7-1 loss to Kansas City on Monday, April 2. The BoSox will have their home opener on Tuesday, April 10 at home versus

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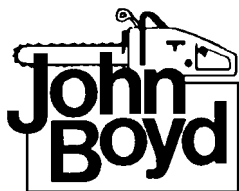


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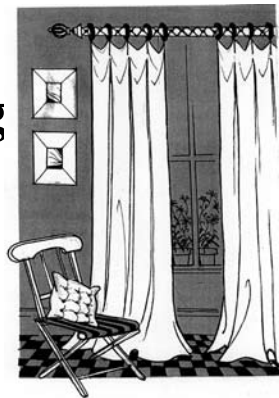
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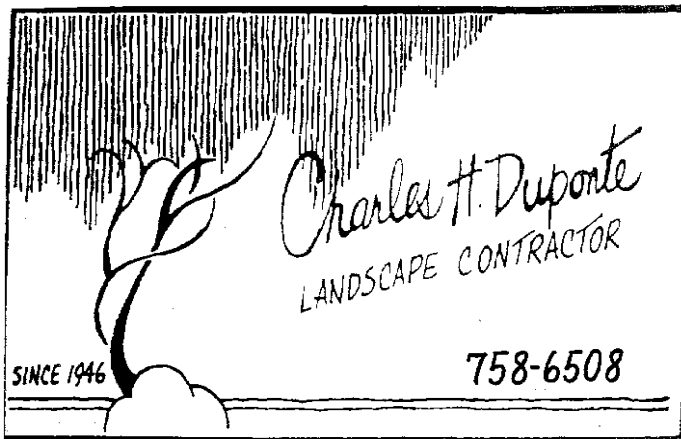
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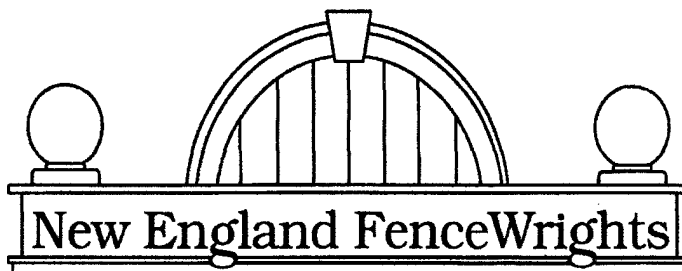
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Last week's local papers, on Thursday March 29, carried a letter by Dr. Richard Kemp et al of the Marion Finance Committee endorsing the concept of an appointed Treasurer/Collector for Marion, a position heretofore an elected one.

One reason given for appointing this person was that the position was of such (admitted) importance that it could not be left to election (i.e. by the voting public, the people) of a local who was inexperienced. It does not follow, of course, that an elected Treasurer/Collector need be local or inexperienced. Ironically, it probably does describe the most recent elected occupant of the job when she first began it, then learned on the job and did it admirably for years before leaving.

Conversely, a senior official recently-departed, an outsider so to speak, was appointed by a recent Board of Selectmen, created controversy, quit, and was paid a "ransom" when he left by those Selectmen. His departure was not grieved by most — I'd venture to say.

Dr. Kemp acknowledges a concern in the community that the Treasurer/Collector be answerable to the voters. He suggests that this can occur through the proxy of the Selectmen. I don't believe the voters would agree. He appears to be over-

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looking the just-mentioned situation.

It is of prime importance for our town, that officials chosen to serve, have foremost among their goals the interests and the good of all the voters, of all economic classes and especially those economically challenged. It can be done! How the officials get to serve, by election or appointment, then becomes secondary and perhaps irrelevant. My belief is that we in Marion (and probably in many towns) have a long way to go in that regard.

I believe it a truism that officials are quite aware of the means of their selection and of their allegiance to those who select — the voters for those elected, the appointing body for those so chosen.

**Sincerely,
Eugene J. DeLorenzo
Marion**

To the Editor:

We would like to thank everyone who came out to support Helping Hands and Hooves on April 1 at Turks Restaurant (in Mattapoisett). The Beer/Wine Tasting was a huge success and we raised enough for over 100 free horseback riding lessons for local adults with disabilities.

We would like to especially thank Turks Restaurant for hosting the event and donating many delicious appetizers. We are also so grateful to Meredith Ciaburri from the Artisan Kitchen for her incredible generosity in providing gourmet hors d'oeuvres. Scott Adams went above and beyond with his generous beer tasting. Ron from Horizons and Steve from United both provided a wonderful wine tasting for all.

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Helping Hands and Hooves

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ORR Student Scholarship

Earlier this school year students at Old Rochester Regional Junior High School (ORRJHS) had the opportunity to participate in a nationwide writing competition run by The History Channel at A&E Television Networks. In this competition, middle school students and their families watched The History Channel show *Desperate Crossings: The Untold Story of the Mayflower*. In this assignment students had to compare their knowledge of the events surrounding the Mayflower story with their parents' / guardians' knowledge and the story depicted in the movie. They then had to write a 500-word essay of this comparison and through their classroom teacher submit this to A&E Television Networks.

ORRJHS's eighth grade Green Team distributed this writing assignment through both their social studies and English classes. All participants' work was submitted to A&E Television Networks in New York and were judged along with the work from participants nationwide. This February the school received word that one of their writers, **Nina Batt** from Marion, was chosen as one of four

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runner-up winners in the competition. Her work was chosen according to Dr. Libby H. O'Connell, Chief Historian for The History Channel, because her essay exhibited, "careful insights and a keen grasp of the historical context documented in the program." In recognition of her work she received a \$500 college scholarship from A&E Television Networks. Nina's teachers at ORRJHS knew of her writing talents and are proud that she is receiving this recognition at the national level.

Tri-Town Relay for Life

Are you a cancer survivor or do you know someone who is?

The third annual Relay for Life, an event sponsored by the American Cancer Society, is being held in the Tri-Town at the Old Rochester Regional High School track in Mattapoisett on June 8 and 9, 2007. The fundraising event's signature opening ceremonies honor cancer survivors. Cancer survivors are invited to a reception at 5:00 pm with a complete dinner provided by area restaurants. This is followed by the honorees leading the first lap of the Relay at 6:00 pm.

The survivor committee would like to insure that all local cancer survivors receive an invitation to this event. But they need to know who they are. You can register for the reception at their website www.acsevents.org/relay/matri-town by clicking on "For survivors" on the left sidebar. Your information will remain private and

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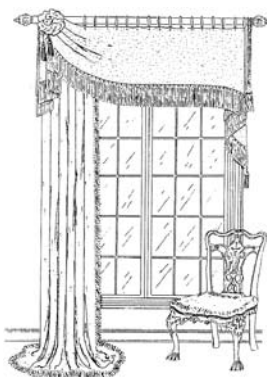
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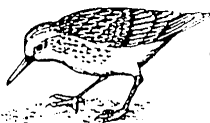
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If you do not have a computer, you may also call at 508-858-4076 or e-mail Bonnie17d@aol.com to provide them with your information.

Sippican Woman's Club

The Sippican Woman's Club will wrap up the year with their Annual Meeting and Luncheon scheduled for Friday, April 27 at 11:30 am at Bailey's Surf 'n' Turf in Wareham. Members should RSVP Mary Jane Wheeler by April 15 indicating luncheon choice with payment. Annual dues may also be included in a single check along with luncheon selection. The annual business meeting and election of officers will follow the luncheon.

The Sippican Woman's Club is a non profit organization whose only fundraising venture each year, The Holiday House Tour, funds scholarship awards for Marion students seeking higher education. Club membership is open to all women who are residents of Marion or to women whose interests are in Marion. Please contact Jeanne Lake at 508-748-0619 for membership information.

Mattapoisett Maconchu Club

The April meeting of the Maconchu Club will be a prelude to the town's upcoming Sesquicentennial Celebration (150th anniversary). "Way Back When — But Not Too Far" will feature memories of growing up in Mat-

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tapoisett, back when wood stoves were more than a home decoration option. Longtime residents will share their stories with the group: Leonard Randall; Dave Jenney; Beverly and Don Farwell; Gladys Ellis; Marion Roberts; and Blanche Perry.

The meeting will take place in Reynard Hall at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church Street in Mattapoisett at 7:30 pm on Saturday, April 21. Refreshments will be served after the meeting and everyone is invited, especially the "younger" generation.

Poetry Reading in Marion

In celebration of April being National Poetry Month, the Marion Music Hall Advisory Committee is hosting an evening of Poetry Reading on Friday, April 27 at 7:30 pm in the Reading Room of Music Hall. There is no admission charge.

Area poets are invited to participate — to read their own-penned poem or a poem by a favorite poet. Time frame is limited, so please choose poems of 40 lines or less. This event is open to local poetry writers and lovers. For more information please call Susan O'Brien (508-748-9556) or Phyllis Washburn (508-748-0853).

Rochester Yard Sale

The Rochester Community Yard Sale will be held Saturday, May 5 to aid the Rochester Town Scholarship Fund which awards scholarships to high school graduates

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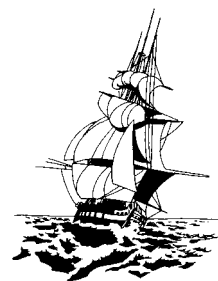
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This annual yard sale has been very successful in the past and the Rochester Town Scholarship Committee encourages and appreciates your support, which, in turn, benefits our students.

ORR Night of Jazz

Old Rochester Regional High School will present "A Night of Jazz" on Tuesday, April 10 at 7:00 pm.

Don't miss the chance to enjoy some of the area's best Jazz, as well as to support student Jazz Musicians from the Old Rochester Junior and Senior High Schools! Music from the Award-Winning groups will include old favorites, as well as contemporary Jazz numbers and several original Jazz Pieces composed by the performers. Come early to enjoy a Jazz Reception beginning at 6:00 pm, then sit back in the comfortable ORR High School Auditorium seats and enjoy the concert, which starts at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors, with all proceeds going to the Old Rochester Regional Music Programs.

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Sippican Seniors Meeting

The next meeting of the Sippican Seniors will be held on Friday, April 13 at 1:30 pm at the Marion VFW Hall on Route 6 in Marion. Entertainment will be provided by Ragtime Jack Radcliffe, a comedian, and refreshments will be served. The building is handicap-accessible.

Mattapoisett Transfer Station

The summer hours at the Mattapoisett Transfer Station are Tuesday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, starting Tuesday, April 17, 2007. If you have any questions, please call the Mattapoisett Board of Health at 508-758-4100, extension 8.

Rochester Wrestling Benefit

On Saturday night, April 14, Northeast Championship Wrestling (NCW) celebrates ten years with "Reunion," live from Rochester Memorial School. This huge milestone in NCW history will also be benefiting a very good cause, as proceeds will go towards RMS science teacher Tom Kinsky and his family who suffered major losses due to a recent fire in their home. Tickets for this

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Featured will be four varieties of home-baked beans, hand-carved baked ham, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, various breads, rolls and butter, coffee, tea and numerous desserts. Other liquids are available. Donation is \$9 per person.

The Penny Sale tables will feature books, tapes, toys, dinnerware, stuffed animals, vases, and costume jewelry. For tickets and further information, please call Gardner McWilliams (508-295-9558); Joseph Napoli (508-748-2799); Joseph Zora (508-748-0573); Jere Hill (508-295-5047); or Robert Demeo (508-748-1080).

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Movie

On Friday, April 27 at 1:00 pm in the Senior Center at Center School, the Friends of the Elderly will show the movie *Happy Feet* (cute, about penguins). Come and enjoy the movie, soda, popcorn, and coffee. They'd love to see you there!

Global Warming Event

On April 14, SouthCoast residents concerned about the catastrophic effects of global warming will rally together to urge Congress to cut carbon emissions 80 percent by 2050. The event will be held at 10:00 am at the New Bedford Whaling Museum, during which several city officials and activists will speak about climate change here in the SouthCoast. Speakers include New Bedford Mayor Lang; Hunger Commission Program Coordinator Bill Shell; Executive Director of SEMAP Sarah Kelley; and Executive Director of Coalition for Buzzards Bay and former New Bedford Mayor John Bullard. The event is part of the Step It Up campaign, the largest day of citizen

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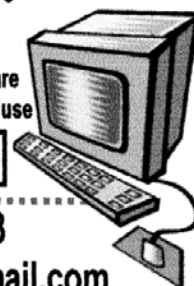
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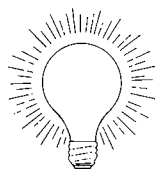
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The Step It Up SouthCoast '07 event is a family event and is open to the public and all that are interested in the future of the SouthCoast. They will convene at the Whaling Museum at 10:00 am and listen to global warming related experiences and stories from local community leaders. Following the presentations, we will split into two main groups; one group will stand in central locations displaying global warming banners and the other group will canvas the New Bedford community equipped with climate action tips.

Margie Baldwin, Co-Founder of the Marion Institute said, "We are excited to organize this important event along with our local partners. We all know that global warming is here and it's up to each one of us to do our part. This rally will act as a catalyst for lasting and

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Mattapoisett Congregational Church

Do you have questions about global warming? What can you as an individual do about it?

On Friday, April 27 at 7:00 pm, the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will be showing the movie *An Inconvenient Truth*. This Oscar-winning documentary was inspired by Al Gore's book about global warming. This showing is open to the public, and there is no charge for admission. There will be free refreshments throughout the movie. A short discussion of the topics the movie brings to the table will follow the viewing. Hopefully, participants will leave with a better grasp of the important issues surrounding the global warming discussion.

Mother's Club Reunion

The Marion Mother's Club Reunion will hold a Potluck Supper on Tuesday, June 5 beginning at 6:00 pm at the home of Linda Goodwin, 5 Hiller Street in Marion. Past members interested in attending should contact either Yvonne Jackson (508-748-0378) or Linda Tilden (508-748-0022). Please leave your name, telephone number and e-mail address (if available) for further updates.

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Pursuant to MGL 200A Sec 9A, a list of names and addresses of persons who have been issued a check by the Town of Rochester, which has not been cashed and has been deemed "abandoned" is available on the Town of Rochester web site: www.townofrochestermass.com. If you wish to obtain information about one of these items, you must contact Town Treasurer Naida Parker, One Constitution Way, Rochester, MA 02770, (508-763-3871, extension 14 or 22).

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ester Regional Junior High School are joining the Rally Against Cancer to support the Jimmy Fund and the Boston Red Sox. Plus, students are trying to win a school visit from Sox infielder Kevin Youkilis.

The Rally Against Cancer coincides with the Sox home opener on Tuesday, April 10. Participation is as easy as putting on a Sox hat and T-shirt, and it's a great way to build team spirit in school. Businesses throughout New England are also encouraged to form teams.

To Rally Against Cancer, employees and students must each pitch in at least \$5 for the Jimmy Fund and then wear their favorite Red Sox gear to work or school on opening day. Plus, the top fundraising business and school team each wins a visit from Youkilis.

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"Everyone can't be at Fenway Park on April 10," said Youkilis, Honorary Chairman of Rally Against Cancer, "so this is a great way for fans to show their support while rallying around my two favorite home town teams, the Red Sox and the Jimmy Fund. Plus, you'll be supporting important cancer research and care at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, just down the street from Fenway."

Dana-Farber in Boston is a world-renowned pioneer in discovering and developing innovative, effective cancer therapies for adults and children. Its fundraising arm is the Jimmy Fund, which is also an official charity of the Boston Red Sox.

"During my time with the Red Sox, I've been to Dana-Farber and seen first-hand how devastating cancer can be for families and patients," added Youkilis. "Rally Against Cancer is an easy and fun way for companies and schools to help the Jimmy Fund strike out cancer."

To support either Rogers School or Old Rochester Regional Junior High School or to register, just step up to the plate and visit www.jimmyfund.org/rally, or contact Charles Savicki at 617-632-5420.

National Poetry Month

Join the Friends of the Mattapoisset Library and poet Margot Wizansky for an afternoon of shared poetry readings on Sunday, April 15, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Friends Meeting House, 103 Marion Road in Mattapoisset. Ms. Wizansky is the editor of *Mercy of Tides: Poems for a Beach House* and *Rough Places Plain: Poems of the Mountains*, published by Salt Marsh Pottery Press.

The Academy of American Poets established April as National Poetry Month in 1996 to increase awareness of poetry and poets, books and magazines. Here in New England, April's promise seems a perfect time for poetry, as we come out of hibernation along with nature. As Robert Frost wrote, "You know how it is with an April day."

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BIRTH:

Madeline Anelle Chirichella was born March 1, 2007 to Ellen H. Chirichella, M.D. and Christopher Chirichella of Matapoisett. Madeline is their first child. Her grandparents are Robert & Christine Chirichella of NJ and Linda Meyer of FL.

ENGAGEMENT:

Outer and Perry Mr. and Mrs. Louis Outor of Rochester are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracey Outor to Michael David Perry also of Rochester. A November 2, 2007 wedding is planned at LeBaron Hills Country Club in Lakeville.

DEATHS:

Beatrice T. (Jaffarian) Ohannessian, 90, of Marion, died March 29, 2007. She was the widow of the late Hoovagim "Oakie" Ohannessian. Mrs. Ohannessian attended the First Congregational Church of Marion. She enjoyed dancing, crossword puzzles, the Food Network, reading, movies, and the Red Sox. Bea dedicated her life to her family and friends. Bea leaves her daughters, Alice J. Shire and her husband, Thomas J. Shire, Jr. of Marion and Anne M. Geloran and her husband, Reginald Geloran of Carmel, IN; a brother, Martin Jaffarian of Riverside, CA.; 5 grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., (Rt. 28), Wareham. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Congregational Church of Marion Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 326, Marion, MA 02738, or The Marion EMS Association, P.O. Box 126, Marion, MA 02738.

Florence Marie (Thibault) Mayer-Deschamps, 90, of Marion died Saturday, March 31, 2007. She was the widow of Albert Mayer and Richard Deschamps, Florence was a communicant of St. Francis Xavier Church and she operated

a foster home for Veterans for 20 years. She was a member of the Ladies of St. Anne Sodality and she was well known for her cooking. Florence leaves her daughter Marie L'Heureux of Acushnet; four sons, Donald J. Mayer of Somerset, William Mayer of Wareham, Richard Deschamps of New Bedford, and Paul Deschamps of Acushnet; thirteen grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a brother, Leo Thibault of Fall River. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Hospice and Palliative Care, 502 Bedford St., Fall River, MA 02720. Arrangements by Rock Funeral Home, New Bedford, MA

Fabienne (Ducharme) LaBelle, 89, of Marion died March 20, 2007. Widow of Norman L. LaBelle, Fabienne leaves her sons, Norman L. LaBelle, Jr. and his wife Patricia of Acushnet and Davenport FL; R. Jeffrey LaBelle and his wife Jeanne of East Freetown and Richard LaBelle and his wife Elaine of Acushnet. She is also survived by five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, her brother Marcel Ducharme of Freetown and many nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Rock Funeral Home, New Bedford.

Joan B. (Souza) Parker, 68, of Marion, died March 30, 2007. She was the wife of Richard D. Parker. She was a member of the Marion United Methodist Church. Joan worked as a waitress for many years at local restaurants and enjoyed spending time with her family especially her grandchildren and traveling.

Joan leaves her widower; a daughter, Kelly Parker of Marion; a sister, Theresa Nehring of VT; a brother, Richard Souza of Fairhaven; 2 grandchildren, Jamie and Brad Parker of FL; 4 sisters in law, Betty Silva, Frances Butterfield, Carol Chase and Beverly Wilson. Arrangements by Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, Wareham. Her graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 6, 2007 in Evergreen Cemetery, Marion.

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The Mattapoisett Woman's Club will conclude the year with the Annual Luncheon on Thursday, April 19, 2007 at the Mattapoisett Chowder House and Tavern. The luncheon begins at 11:30 am with a cash bar. Members should RSVP by April 16 with the completed form for luncheon selection and payment to club member, Alice Williams. The annual business meeting and election of officers follow the luncheon. The company of friends and festive atmosphere make this a must attend event. Invite a friend and introduce her to the club.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is an educational, philanthropic, civic and social organization which contributes to many charitable organizations and provides scholarships for Mattapoisett students. They urge you to join them. For membership information, please contact Lois K. Ennis at 508-758-2188.

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Blades of Glory. Starring Will Ferrell and Jon Heder. Directed by Josh Gordon and Will Speck. Running time: 93 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13.

Whether playing an anchorman, a stock-car racer, or now, in *Blades of Glory*, an ice skater, Will Ferrell is as imperturbable as a five-year-old happily lost in his own fantasy kingdom. He's the best, he's the star — and yet his soft-bellied schlumpiness only enhances his manic self-regard. In *Blades of Glory*, Ferrell is the ridiculously named Chazz Michael Michaels, a long-haired rock star on the ice, humping the air in time to various power ballads. An admitted sex addict, Chazz turns everything he does into sex, and the crowd loves him. The sight of Ferrell's body poured into a skater's skin-tight duds is a visual joke, but it's also the triumph of the average man's will to be dazzling despite his physical foibles.

Chazz and rival skater Jimmy MacElroy (Jon Heder) get themselves in trouble with the Skating Federation, which bans them from male single skating for life. As it happens, a loophole allows them to re-enter competition as a pair, and though they despise each other, they learn to work together. This aspect of *Blades of Glory* is tired, especially since the antagonists seem to warm to each other when we're not looking; at midpoint, Chazz refers to Jimmy as "my friend," though they haven't seemed very friendly — they're more like roommates passing the time with small talk.

Blades of Glory could've used a bit more of Will Arnett and Amy Poehler as the Van Waldenbergs, a flashy brother-sister team (the actors are married in real life) plotting to cheat Chazz and Jimmy out of the gold medal. Arnett, with his rumbley, insinuating voice and almost-handsome looks, and the mad pixie Poehler, never more dangerous than when she's smiling, make the perfect debauched prince and princess of a sport the movie clearly sees as cut-throat. Nobody onscreen is pure of heart except for naïve Jimmy and his new girlfriend, sweet little Katie (Jenna Fischer), sent by her siblings the Van Waldenbergs to spy on our heroes. One of the four screenwriters came up with a neat way for Jimmy to express his love for Katie, by taking her out for sno-cones — Jimmy is so at home on ice he *eats* it.



Overall it's a painless if unremarkable night out, lifted considerably by the over-the-top skating sequences. It looks as though Ferrell's and Heder's features have been digitally mapped onto stunt skaters whenever possible, so you get the benefit of the actors' expressions and the skaters' physical expressiveness. The chunky, hypercharged Ferrell and the lithe, slightly zonked Heder are like Ralph Kramden and Ed Norton on ice, and the costumes are suitably glittery and nutty and, well, gay. The movie gets a lot of mileage out of two heterosexual men going through highly homoerotic gyrations, a surefire gag in many recent hit comedies from *Borat* to *300*.

Some bits, like Heder eating reams of toilet paper or an overextended chase between Ferrell and Arnett on skates (it continues, awkwardly, even off the ice), aren't very inspired. A lot of *Blades of Glory* feels like padding between the skating events, though the outcome of an early North Korean attempt at the hazardous maneuver the Iron Lotus is hilariously ghoulish, and Jenna Fischer enjoys a small triumph when she reads the last line of a phone conversation with the perfect note of distracted incomprehension. There are some small pleasures between the bigger pleasures of the ice, but not enough of them. *Blades of Glory* might've been better off as a Christopher Guest-style mockumentary; who wouldn't want to watch Parker Posey neurotically swanning around in a peacock costume while Fred Willard offered clueless commentary and coach Eugene Levy shouted well-meaning but disastrous encouragement?

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MARION

Log highlights March 25 through March 31, 2007:

- Allen Street – suspicious person
- Point Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Cranberry Way – suspicious person
- Mill Street – breaking and entering/past
- Mill Street – motor vehicle complaint
- Pleasant Street – animal complaint
- Rocky Knook Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Delano Road – motor vehicle complaint
- Bullivant Farm Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Ridgewood Lane – animal complaint
- Oak Street – officer wanted
- Water Street – suspicious activity
- Point Road – noise complaint
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Aucoot Avenue – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Mill Street – suspicious activity
- Mill Street – suspicious activity
- Converse Road – animal complaint
- Spring Street – found property
- Spring Street – suspicious motor vehicle/adult arrest (protective custody)
- Icahobod Lane – larceny/past
- Front Street – larceny/past
- Creek Road – annoying phone calls
- Clark Street – disturbance
- Main Street – larceny/past
- Front Street – breaking and entering/in progress.

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights March 25 through March 31, 2007:

- Fairhaven Road – animal control
- Mendell Road – motor vehicle accident
- Fairhaven Road – suspicious persons
- Homestead Court – ambulance request
- Lynfield Lane – suspicious persons
- North Street – property found
- Wildwood Terrace – civil complaint
- Route 195 East – car fire
- Oliver's Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Fairhaven Road – suspicious persons
- Marion Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Acushnet Road – vandalism
- Long Plain Road – animal control
- Main Street – suspicious persons
- Marion Road – trespassing
- County Road – safety/road hazard
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – safety/road hazard
- Marion Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Depot Street – neighbor dispute
- Pearl Street – medical assist
- County Road – property returned
- Fairhaven Road – disturbance
- Henshaw Road – domestic disturbance
- Tinkham Hill Road – animal control
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Acushnet Road – vandalism
- Crystal Spring Road – trespassing
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – suspicious motor vehicle.

ROCHESTER

Log highlights March 27 through April 3, 2007:

- Cranberry Highway – adult arrest (unlicensed operation of motor vehicle)
- Morton Road – assist other agency
- Dexter Lane – property found/lost/recovered
- Pine Street – animal control
- Clapp Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Marion Road – animal control
- County Road – motor vehicle accident
- North Avenue – motor vehicle accident
- Braley Road – brush fire
- Neck Road – suspicious activity
- Ryder Road – annoying phone calls
- North Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mary's Pond Road – annoying phone calls
- Mary's Pond Road – annoying phone calls
- Clapp Road – structure fire
- Mary's Pond Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- Benson Road – property found/lost/recovered
- Burgess Avenue – breaking and entering
- Route 58 – suspicious motor vehicle
- Dexter Lane – civil complaint
- Mary's Pond Road – brush fire
- Spruce Street – traffic hazard
- Cushman Road – motor vehicle accident
- Mary's Pond Road – adult arrest (protective custody).



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Monday, April 9: Cheeseburger, potato puffs, corn, mixed fruit.

Tuesday, April 10: Bacon burger, hash brown pattie, green beans, pineapple.

Wednesday, April 11: Chicken fajita, tortilla chips, mixed vegetables, peaches.

Thursday, April 12: Turkey club, spicy fries, carrots, strawberry chiffon pudding.

Friday, April 13: Tuna roll, pizza, chips, veggie sticks, chilled fruit.

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, April 9: Omelet with cheese sauce, O'Brien potatoes, chopped broccoli, fruit muffin, diced pears in light syrup.

Tuesday, April 10: Beef barley soup, honey mustard chicken, winter squash, snowflake roll, pineapple in light syrup.

Wednesday, April 11: Swedish meatballs, egg noodles, Harvard beets, whole wheat bread, mandarin oranges in light syrup.

Thursday, April 12: Beef stew with vegetables, boiled potatoes, honey wheat roll, tapioca pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Friday, April 13: Turkey ham with raisin sauce, whipped potatoes, green beans, rye bread, fudge cake, graham wafer.

MATTAPOISETT / MARION / ROCHESTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, April 9: Soup, toasted cheese, vegetable, fruit, chicken salad, choice of milk.

Tuesday, April 10: Tacos with all the fixings, vegetable, fruit, chicken salad.

Wednesday, April 11: Macaroni and cheese, hot dog, vegetable, roll, fruit, choice of milk, chicken salad.

Thursday, April 12: Popcorn chicken, mashed potato, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk, chicken salad.

Friday, April 13: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk, chicken salad.

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, April 9: Hamburger with/without cheese on a bun, French fries, vegetable, assorted pizza, chicken, soup, pretzel.

Tuesday, April 10: Chicken fajitas, nachos with cheese, vegetable, chicken, assorted pizza, grilled cheese, soup, pretzel.

Wednesday, April 11: Chicken nuggets, potato wedges, vegetable, pretzel, assorted pizza, Thanksgiving sub.

Thursday, April 12: Roast turkey, gravy, mashed potato, vegetable, cranberry sauce, assorted pizza, chicken pattie.

Friday, April 13: Tacos with all the fixings, vegetable, nachos with cheese, assorted pizza, hot dog, soup, pretzel.

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Upcoming guest speakers and programs include:

- April 8: Easter, Reverend Dr. "Bud" Holland;
- April 15: To Be Announced;
- April 22: Earth Day, Reverend Dr. Kathy Gayoski;
- May 20: Reverend Donald Finley.

Chicken Bake in Marion

The Marion Social Club, 44 Pumping Station Road, will host a Chicken Bake on Sunday, April 15. Service will begin at 1:00 pm with take-outs served first. The club opens at 12:00 noon. Donation is \$9 per person. For more information, please contact Warren at 508-748-2933.

Mattapoisett Music Workshop

The Massachusetts Music Teachers Association's Southeastern Chapter presents "Fired Up!," a teacher enrichment seminar with Rachel Kramer on Saturday, April 21 at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, 27 Church Street in Mattapoisett. Rachel Kramer, Director of Educational Services for MTNA, will present a two-hour workshop on studio makeover ideas to help teachers energize and awaken the soulful music teacher! The workshop fee is \$20 in advance, or \$25 the day of the event. Both MMTA

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Banking on a Cure

By

Kenneth J. Seng

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There's something to be admired about those charitable friends who are always more than willing to step up to the plate and offer help when needed.

But unless they are a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) or financial whiz, *would you ask those same friends to suddenly take over your money affairs or attempt to balance your checkbook?*

I preface the following with this rhetorical question because, on a personal level, I have always respected and admired the years of service that Naida Parker has given to the Town of Rochester. As longtime Town Clerk and former Selectman, Ms. Parker has always kept the best interest of the town at heart, and I firmly believe she meant well when she reluctantly ran for the open position of Town Treasurer when no one else opted to take out nomination papers.

That being said, I'm at a loss as to why Ms. Parker would continue fumbling her way through a job she herself has admitted she wasn't qualified to do.

Everyone admits mistakes have been made. Everyone seems to agree that these mistakes are costing the town precious time and may adversely affect both state and federal aid — not to mention, wreaking havoc with the town's cash flow and creating a bookkeeping nightmare for auditors and department heads alike.

And yet it seems to remain a battle of wills between Ms. Parker and the Board of Selectmen ... or, more to the point, their figurehead in the person of recently-hired Town Administrator Richard LaCamera.

Sadly, to me it's more akin to watching a once harmonious couple fighting over custody of the children ... only in this case the children are 4,800 or so Rochester residents and neither parent is willing to give up the fight.

This whole quandary stems back to last year's Annual Town Meeting when voters agreed to place a question on the Wednesday, April 11 Annual Town Election ballot to change the Town Treasurer's position from elected to appointed. While I understand and respect those who jump on their soapbox to immediately state their Declaration for Democracy and how the voters should retain control over electing such positions, I also have to wonder what's really in the best interest of the Town of Rochester.

And, as I've previously stated in this column, my own personal lack of qualifications in the numbers arena really

makes me appreciate and value those who are experienced and skilled with such things all the more.

As such, if a good friend called me tomorrow and begged me to come over and review their financial records because their accountant just quit, I'd have to politely decline and suggest they seek out someone qualified to do the job. I might be compelled to help them ... by offering a few *recommendations*, maybe. But I certainly wouldn't even attempt to dive in, headfirst, knowing how clueless I am about anything that falls between a dollar sign and a decimal point.

I also think Rochester, like her sister towns of Mattapoisett and Marion, has reached a critical point where it can no longer continue to function as a "good ol' boy" rural farming community where people strike deals via handshakes and a promise, and everyone gets their own "credit account" at the local variety store, scribbled on the back of a piece of cardboard torn off a carton of cigarettes. With more stringent requirements to recoup all the money it contributes to state and federal coffers, there's really no acceptable margin of error anymore ... even if those errors are backed by the best of intentions.

And that's really what this comes down to. No one is here to point the *big finger of blame* at Naida Parker for her inability to immediately take up a job she was never trained to do. In fact, she should be applauded for giving it a sincere, concerted effort. But when you look over the past year and how little progress has been made to reconcile the town's financial records, someone needs to stop the bleeding before it gets worse.

That means one of two things: either the doctor performing the operation needs to voluntarily step away from the patient and let someone more skilled take over, or the hospital's Board of Directors needs to change the way it hires its surgeons.

We're all familiar with the phrase "this isn't brain surgery." Well, sometimes it *is*, and I think we'd all want nothing less than a skilled, experienced specialist poking around inside our skulls.

I suggest Dr. Parker has done all she can to save an ailing Rochester, and the voters going to the polls on April 11 now need to bring in a specialist to revive the patient and finish the job.



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Nitrogen Pollution Lectures

The nitrogen pollution degrading local harbors and coves is not unique to Buzzards Bay. A recent survey by the United Nations Environment Program found that the number of nitrogen-causing "dead zones" in oceans and bays around the world has doubled since 1990 to 146.

The Coalition for Buzzards Bay (CBB) invites the public to learn more about this worldwide problem by attending The Global Nitrogen Pollution Crisis, a series of lectures which will explore the histories, commonalities, and lessons-to-be-learned from other bays around the world. The first lecture, focusing on Narragansett Bay, will take place on Thursday, April 12 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at Patron's Hall, Dartmouth Grange, 1133 Fisher Road,

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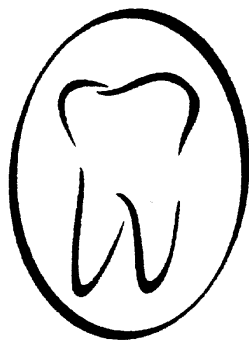
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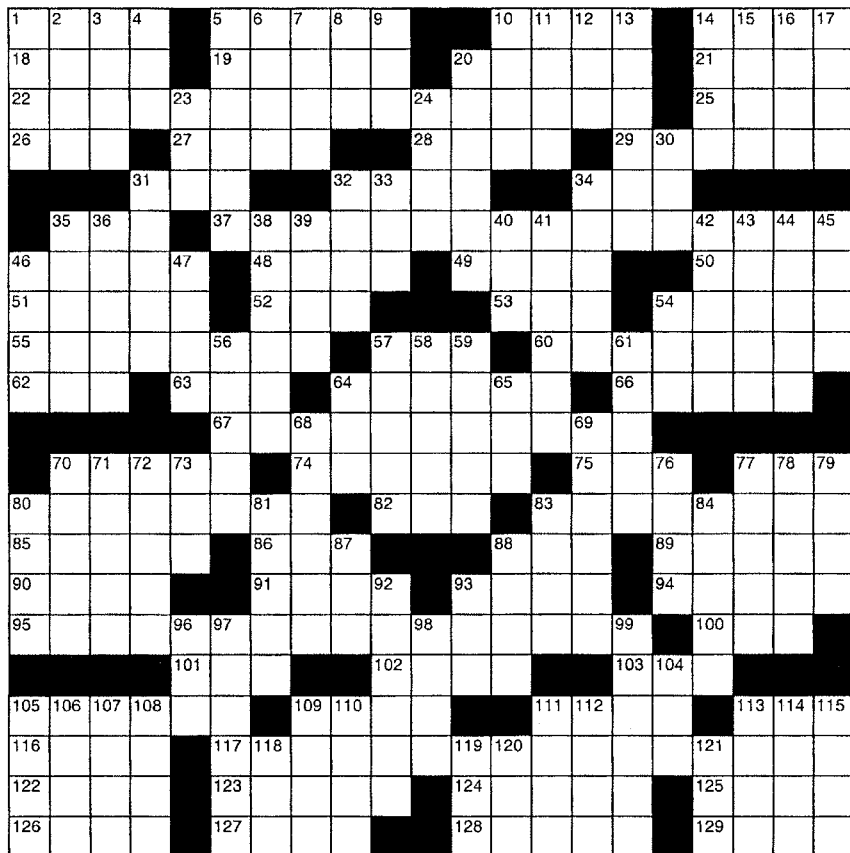
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Be careful about doing someone a favor when you don't know the full story behind the request. Don't rely on someone's unsubstantiated assurances. Insist on all the facts before you act.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That workplace problem still needs your attention before you can finally close the book on it. Meanwhile, a long-anticipated reunion gets closer to becoming a happy reality.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might be demanding more from others than they can give. Best advice: Have a long and frank talk to determine what the facts are. Tensions should abate as the week winds down.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Aspects are favorable throughout this week for making contacts that could be important to your career plans. Meanwhile, an old friend offers the advice you're seeking.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's time to stop licking your wounds from past mistakes. Get up and get going toward your future. Loyal friends will be there to help the Lion get back into rip-roaring shape.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Take time out to go over what's expected of you before you begin your new project. Otherwise, you run the risk of pushing yourself harder than you need to.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An unusual request could put you in an awkward position. Best advice: Deal with it immediately. The longer you delay, the more difficult it will be to get out of it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You should feel recharged and ready for whatever your workaday world holds for you. The same positive energy spills over into your personal relationships.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A prospect might be less than it appears to be. Like the Archer in your sign, you always aim for the truth. And this is no time to settle for less than full disclosure.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Start doing some serious thinking about a career move that could entail more than just changing job sites. Some lifestyle changes might also be involved.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With tensions easing at the workplace, a more positive environment once again encourages the free flow of ideas so typical of the always-innovative Aquarian.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show some of that usually hidden steel-strong Piscean backbone, and stand up for yourself if you hope to make a case for that promotion you know you deserve.

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John Torgan, Narragansett Baykeeper at Save The Bay in Rhode Island, will discuss the challenges right next door—with specific emphasis on the plan to save Greenwich Bay, site of the region's largest fish kill in 2003. His talk will focus on nutrient and stormwater pollution in Narragansett Bay and will address his work on regionally-focused ecosystem based management as well as collaborative projects undertaken with the CBB.

Mr. Torgan has been connected to Narragansett Bay and its watershed his entire life. Through his involvement with the international Water Keeper Alliance, of which The Coalition for Buzzards Bay is also a part, Torgan directs Save the Bay's advocacy and pollution response activities. In his role as Narragansett Baykeeper, Torgan is the "eyes and ears" as well as the voice of Narragansett Bay. He works to address environmental problems by fielding calls and issues from the community and working alongside government agencies, and sometimes at odds with them, to protect the Bay and its tributary rivers and to restore water quality, habitat and ecological health to the system.

The Global Nitrogen Pollution Crisis lecture series will continue throughout the spring. Subsequent talks include:

- April 26: Chesapeake Bay at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion. Tom Horton, *Baltimore Sun* reporter and author of *Turning the Tide: Saving the Ches-*



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Mattapoisett Planning Board 03/29, 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE BOARD OF HEALTH TOWN OF MARION The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 4:45 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by Rick Charon and Charon Associates pertaining to the property located at 47 Quails Crossing. The property is further identified as Lot 119, on Assessors Map 23. The following variances are requested from Title V of the State Environmental Code. 310 CMR 15.212 To install the bottom of the soil absorption system two (2) feet above the estimated maximum groundwater rather than the minimum four (4) foot requirement. 310 CMR 15.105 To allow the DEP alternative method of determining percolation rate by grain size analysis. Albin R. Johnson, III Chairman 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 23, 2007 at 7:30 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House to consider the following amendment to the Zoning By-law: To see if the Town of Marion will amend Section 15.2 of the Zoning By-law by striking the phrase "subject to site plan review under Section 3, hereunder" and replacing it with "and is further subject to the requirements of Section 9.0 Site Plan Review" or do or take any other action related thereto. The amended bylaw will read: 15.2 Applicability Any creation of five (5) or more lots in a residence district, whether a subdivision or not, from a parcel or set of contiguous parcels held in common ownership may proceed under this Section 15, Flexible Development, and is further subject to the requirements of Section 9.0 Site Plan Review. Joseph F. Napoli, Chairman 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications and petition: Application of Albert & Maureen Ellis of 86 Old Black Point Road, Niantic, CT 06357 re property located at Brandt Beach Avenue. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Section 6.2.2 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a single-family dwelling on a lot that does not meet the required area or frontage. The property is further described as Plat 14A, Lot 21 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 19, 2007 at 6:00 PM #1081 Application of Raymond L. and Mary Ann Cebula of 3 Shore View Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 3 Shore View Avenue. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law to demolish an existing dwelling and reconstruct a new dwelling. The property is further described as Plat 12, Lot 23 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 19, 2007 at 6:15 PM #1082 Petition of Melissa M. Bilodeau of 158 North Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 158 North Street. The petitioner is seeking a Variance under Section 5.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the boarding of dogs and cats as well as to allow an apartment over an existing barn and potentially rent same. The property is further described as Plat 19, Lot 21 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 19, 2007 at 6:30 PM. #1083 Application and Petition by Stephen Kelleher Architects for Mark and Kathleen M. Bohan of 5 Bay View Avenue, BB, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 5 Bay View Avenue BB. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 and a Variance under Section 6.3.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the applicants to square off the corner of their existing house and also add a second floor which will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 14A, Lot 72 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, April 19, 2007 at 6:45 PM. #1084 Application by Pamela Pierce of 50 Hollywoods Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 re property located at 9 and 11 Avenue B, owned by Patricia Morris of 781 Gardners Road, Mineral, VA 23117. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2. and 6.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to demolish an existing dwelling, guest house and garage and reconstruct a new dwelling and guest house. The property is further described as Plat 2A, Lot 127 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday April 19, 2007 at 7:00 PM. #1085 Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Jeffrey R. Chase, Chairman Jack R. McGill Nancy O'Brien Scott E. Pegurri Susan Akin 4/5, 4/12</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 23, 2007 at 7:00 PM in Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Notice of Intent submitted by the Town of Mattapoisett, Bike Path Phase 1A, Mattapoisett, MA. The Town intends to construct a bikeway/alternative transportation facility along the former railroad bed from the Mattapoisett/Fairhaven town line eastward to the vicinity of Mattapoisett Neck Road. Conservation Commission 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICETOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF SELECTMEN A public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 7:05 PM Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA upon the application of transfer of an All Alcohol Liquor License from Brad's Inc. d/b/a Brad's, 35 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 to Rick's Tavern, Inc. d/b/a Rick's, 35 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Jordan C. Collyer, Chairman Stephen J. Lombard, Vice Chairman Raymond H. Andrews, Clerk 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 23, 2007 at 7:00 PM in Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for a Determination submitted by Pamela Pierce. The Applicant proposes to demolish the existing single family dwelling, guest house and garage and then reconstruct a new dwelling and combined guest house/garage structure. 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Conservation Commission 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICETOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #939 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Stephen and Maureen Sperry, 284 Marion Road; Assessors plan 6 lot 39, who are seeking a special permit under section VIII..D.9.a. to allow conversion of a single-family to a multi-family dwelling. The hearing will be on Thursday, April 26, 2007, 7:45 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, 04/05, 04/12</p> <hr/>

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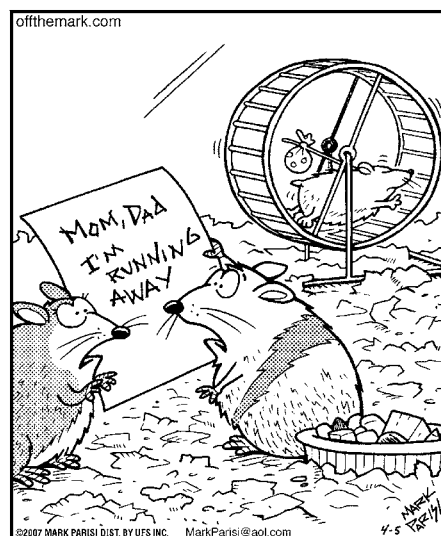
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Tallman, Alden R	Rose, Jarrett W Rose, Patricia A	36 Bennett Rd	Rochester	03/16/2007	325000
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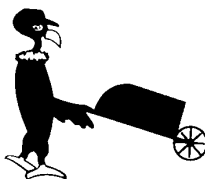
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The Old Colony School Committee's members are appointed by an appointing committee consisting of three (3) members of the Board of Selectmen; three (3) members of the Local School Committee and the Town Moderator. If anyone is interested in that position they can go to the school's website (www.oldcolony.tec.ma.us) to learn more about the appointing system and current board.

The Rochester Memorial School Committee, Selectmen and Moderator will be meeting Monday, April 9 at the Rochester Town Hall, there and then to discuss the applicants and make an appointment.

All interested parties should submit a letter of interest to: Greenwood Hartley, III, Town Moderator, 149 Marion Road, Rochester, MA 02770.

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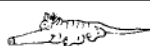
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To enter, simply find the aardvark in this issue, then go to our web page and select the link "I Found the Aardvark" entry page. If you would like to enter by mail, send your name, address and phone number along with the issue date and page number you found him in to: Wanderer - I Found the Aardvark, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisset, MA 02739.

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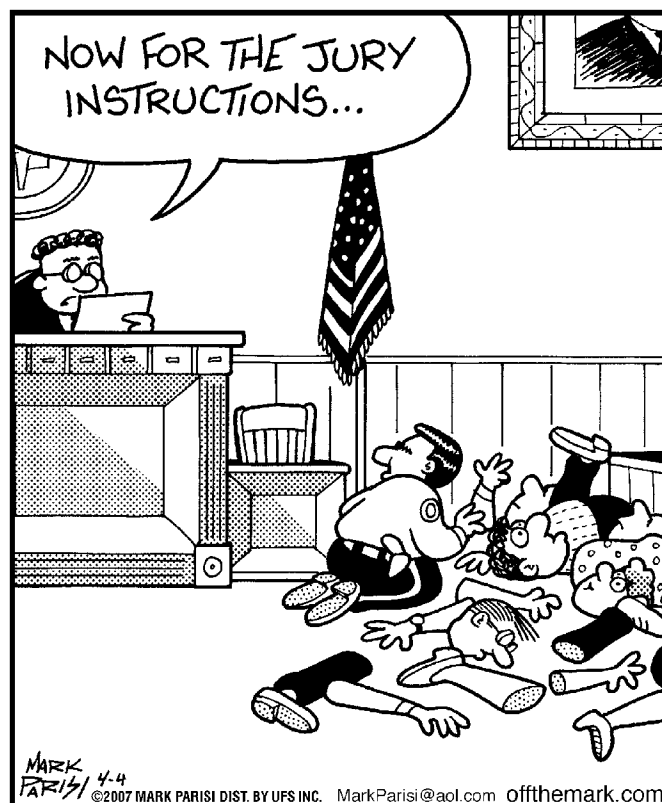
www.wanderer.com - Click on "I Found the Aardvark"
In the March 29 issue the Aardvark was hiding on Page 78!

Local Tides

Date	Day	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
April 5:	Thurs.	10:20	10:33	3:51	3:41
April 6:	Fri.	10:56	11:10	4:26	4:14
April 7:	Sat.	11:38	11:54	5:00	4:48
April 8:	Sun.	...	12:24	5:39	5:28
April 9:	Mon.	12:41	1:16	6:27	6:16
April 10:	Tues.	1:38	2:13	7:37	7:23
April 11:	Wed.	2:39	3:16	9:06	8:52
April 12:	Thurs.	3:46	4:21	10:15	10:18
April 13:	Fri.	4:53	5:22	11:04	11:23
April 14:	Sat.	5:54	6:18	11:47	...
April 15:	Sun.	6:49	7:10	12:19	12:31
April 16:	Mon.	7:40	8:00	1:13	1:13
April 17:	Tues.	8:29	8:50	2:04	1:58
April 18:	Wed.	9:18	9:39	2:57	2:44
April 19:	Thurs.	10:09	10:30	3:47	3:28
April 20:	Fri.	11:02	11:25	4:37	4:15
April 21:	Sat.	11:57	...	5:28	5:04
April 22:	Sun.	12:21	12:55	6:32	5:55

Phases of the Moon	Last Quarter	April 10th
	New Moon	April 17th
	First Quarter	April 24th
	Full Moon	May 2nd

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